

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-40 were pending and rejected. In this response, claims 30-33 have been canceled or amended. Claims 3, 5-7, 9-14, 17, 19-21, and 23-28 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-3, 5, 9, 11-13, 15-17, 19, 23, 25-27, 29-30, 33-35, 37-40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,860,023 of Tognazzini ("Tognazzini"). In view of the foregoing amendments, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-29 and 34-40 as amended include limitations that are not disclosed by Tognazzini.

Specifically, independent claim 1 recites as follows:

1. A method of interfacing with a communication station, the method comprising:  
receiving semi-structured data from a personal digital assistant (PDA) in a  
format native to the PDA;  
parsing the semi-structured data to identify a type of the semi-structured data;  
and  
sending data to a destination indicated by the semi-structured data if the type of  
the semi-structured data is destination data, the data being distinct from  
the semi-structured data and provided by a source other than the PDA.

(Emphasis added)

Independent claim 1 includes receiving semi-structured data from a PDA indicating a destination and in response, sending data to the destination indicated by the semi-structured data, where the data is fetched from a source other than the PDA and distinct from the semi-structured data. It is respectfully submitted that the above limitations are absent from Tognazzini.

Rather, Tognazzini is related to a user using a remote unit to send a question to the speaker to be answered (see Abstract of Tognazzini). Specifically, in response to a speaker asking for audience questions, audience members type in the questions and send the typed-in

question to a server, which forward it to the speakers (see Figs. 5-6, col. 7, lines 1 to 41 of Tognazzini). There is no disclosure or suggestion within Tognazzini of specifying a destination via a semi-structured data native to the PDA. The audience members of Tognazzini have no choice to choose which destination that the questions will be sent. Particularly, the remote units of Tognazzini are implemented as a wireless microphone.

In addition, even if, for the sake of arguments, that the audience members of Tognazzini can specify a destination, the questions being sent come from the same remote unit from which the questions are typed in. The questions being sent are not from a source other than the remote unit and specified by the semi-structured data.

In contrast, the present invention as claimed includes a PDA transmitting a semi-structured data indicating a destination to which data from a source other than the PDA is sent. Therefore, independent claim 1 is not anticipated by Tognazzini.

Similarly, independent claims 15 and 34 include limitations similar to those recited in claim 1. Thus, at least for the reasons discussed above, it is respectfully submitted that independent claims 15 and 34 are not anticipated by Tognazzini. Given that the rest of the claims depend from one of the above independent claims, it is respectfully submitted that the rest of the claims are not anticipated by Tognazzini.

Further, with respect to claims 3 and 17, the Examiner contended that col. 7, lines 20-24 of Tognazzini discloses the limitation of "wherein the data is a part of a document reproduced via a document reproduction system coupled to the communication station." Applicant respectfully disagrees. The cited section (e.g., col. 7, lines 20-24) of Tognazzini is related to how the questions of audience members are forwarded to the speaker. There is no disclosure of data is a part of an electronic document captured while a physical document is reproduced via a document reproduction system (e.g., a copy machine), particularly, without user intervention.

Claims 4, 6-8, 10, 14, 18, 20-22, 24, 28, 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being anticipated by Tognazzini in view of U.S. published Application No. 2003/0105821 of Shah et al. ("Shah"). It is respectfully submitted that, for at least the reasons set forth above and the previous responses, claims 1-29 and 34-40 include limitations that are not disclosed or suggested by Tognazzini and Shah, individually or in combination.

In addition, there is no suggestion within Tognazzini and Shah to combine with each other. Even if they were combined, such a combination still lacks the limitations set forth above. Therefore, claims 1-29 and 34-40 are patentable over Tognazzini and Shah.

Withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

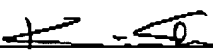
In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

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Respectfully submitted,

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